BOOK OF GENESIS – Part 1 Is Genesis History?

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- · Tonight Opportunity to give a Bible study
- Series Book of Genesis Part 1
- · Title Is Genesis History?
- As I was preparing to give a series of Bible studies about the Book of Genesis, I decided that I should begin the series by addressing the "elephant in the room."
- Are the Biblical accounts in the early part of the Book of Genesis real events?
- Or are they merely religious stories to inspire people?

Genesis 1 – The creation

Genesis 2 – The introduction of Garden of Eden, Adam and Eve

Genesis 3 – The serpent and the fall of Adam and Eve

Genesis 6-8 – The worldwide flood

Genesis 11 – The tower of Babel

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"The first eleven chapters of the Bible have been relegated by many to the category of myths, not real history. These are said to contain spiritual truth, but they cannot be taken seriously as records of real people and events . . .

"An alarming number of Christian leaders and teachers instead believe that God 'created' through evolutionary processes over millions of years, that Adam and Eve descended from a hominid population, and that there has never been a global flood–suggesting that the account of Noah and the Ark is a story adapted from a Babylonian myth.

"Mainstream Christian orthodoxy regarded the opening chapters of Genesis as just as real and reliable as the rest of the Bible until 150-200 years ago. So what has happened?

"This downgrading of the early chapters of Genesis has coincided with the rise of uniformitarian philosophy as the cornerstone of modern geology and of evolution as the core of modern biology. Christians have been ignorant of the process that has gradually changed their whole approach to the Bible. Consequently, Christian churches throughout the world reject the early chapters of Genesis as history—resulting in all manner of compromise intended to force geological ages and organic evolution into the Scriptures."

- For the purpose of this Bible study, I am going to acknowledge 4 categories of people.
- 1. Many people believe in evolution with little or no regard for the Bible.
- 2. Some people believe in evolution but believe that Genesis 1-11 are wonderful stories.
- 3. Some people believe in creation with God creating over a period of time using the "old earth" scenario.
- 4. Some people believe in creation with God creating quickly with God using the "young earth" scenario.
- "Is Genesis History?"

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Dr. Del Tackett (creator of *The Truth Project*) serves as the guide

Length = 1 hour and 44 minutes

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